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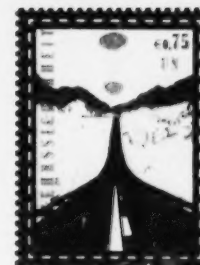
From: The Assistant Secretary-General for Central Support Services

Subject: **First day of issue — 7 April 2004: “Road Safety” stamps**

Commemorative stamps

1. On Wednesday, 7 April 2004, the United Nations Postal Administration (UNPA) will issue a set of six commemorative stamps on the theme “Road Safety”.
2. The stamps, designed by Michel Granger (France), will be issued in denominations of 37 cents, 70 cents, SwF 0.85, SwF 1.00, €0.55 and €0.75.

(United States equivalents — SwF 0.85: 65 cents; SwF 1.00: 77 cents; €0.55: 65 cents and €0.75: 89 cents, subject to exchange rate fluctuation.)



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3. According to the World Health Organization (WHO), road traffic accidents annually take the lives of 1.2 million people and injure hundreds of thousands more, some of whom become permanently disabled. On 7 August 2003, in response to General Assembly resolution 57/309, the Secretary-General issued a report which emphasized that road safety injuries pose a worldwide public health crisis requiring immediate action. WHO has designated road safety as the theme for World Health Day 2004. On that day, 7 April, organizations worldwide will host events to help focus attention on road safety injuries, their grave consequences and their enormous costs to society. For more information on this topic, go to <http://www.who.int/world-health-day/2004/en>.

General information

4. For the convenience of collectors, UNPA at Headquarters will provide prepared and cancelled New York, Geneva and Vienna first-day covers on the UNPA official first-day cachets **only**. Members of delegations and the staff can obtain these items on Wednesday, 7 April, at the following locations:

(a) The UNPA sales counter in the concourse of the General Assembly Building from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.;

(b) A temporary sales counter located on the east side of the Secretariat lobby, in front of the windows between the cafeteria and the news-stand, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

5. First day of issue cancellations can be obtained at a temporary United States Postal Service substation located outside the United Nations Bookshop in the concourse of the General Assembly Building from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

6. Information on United Nations stamps can be accessed on the Internet at <http://www.un.org/Depts/UNPA>.
